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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Mark Shea for METHOD OF PROMOTING CONSERVATION EASEMENTS IN REAL PROPERTY comprising 12 pages of specification and claims.

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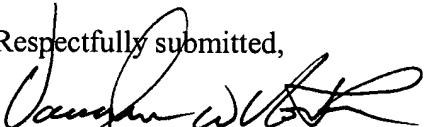
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